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PETROL PUMPS/LPG AGENCIES TO DEPENDENTS OF KARGIL MARTYRS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) : whether irregularities in allotment of petrol-pumps/LPG agencies to dependents of Kargil martyrs have come to the notice of the Government ;

(b) : if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard ;

(c) : the number of Kargil martyrs whose dependents have not yet been allotted petrol pumps/LPG agencies alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(d) : the time by which petrol-pumps/ LPG agencies are likely to be allotted to the dependents of martyrs ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a)&(b) : No, Sir.

(c)&(d) : All the eligible beneficiaries under Operation Vijay (Kargil) Scheme have been allotted retail outlets/LPG agencies through issue of Letter of Intent by public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs). However, as on 30.11.2006, 28 retail outlet dealerships and 9 LPG distributorships allotted to widows/dependents of defence personnel killed in action during `Operation Vijay` (Kargil) are pending for commissioning due to various reasons, such as non-availability of suitable land at the location selected by the allottees, non-issuance of necessary clearance from various statutory authorities, like District Magistrate, National Highway Authority of India, local/Government,etc., which are beyond the control of the Ministry or the public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs), in spite of intensive efforts for resolving the issues. It is not possible to give a time-frame for commissioning of these pending cases as the reasons for non-commissioning of such retail outlets / LPG distributorships are beyond the control of the Ministry or the OMCs.